

it largely fails to protect farmers and ranchers specifically in the pork and beef industry. Nevertheless, I will continue to fight to protect our farmers and ranchers from further corporate abuses and urge the USDA to enforce existing laws designed to regulate corporate packers and processors.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN M.
DUGAN

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2011

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Police Sergeant John M. Dugan, who is retiring after nearly 30 years of law enforcement service to the City of Fairfield. As his colleagues, friends and family gather together to celebrate the next chapter of his life, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in saluting this outstanding public servant and defender of peace and safety.

John started his career of service as a Firefighter for the California Department of Forestry and the City of Paradise. On March 19, 1982, he was hired as a Public Safety Officer with the Fairfield Police Department. As an officer, John worked in various capacities that included Patrol, Investigations, Special Operations, and Field Training.

John was promoted to Police Sergeant on July 22, 1994, and ultimately supervised a number of different units including Patrol, Traffic, Crime Suppression, and Youth Services. In 2000, he earned the California Highway Patrol's 10851 Award for recovering 12 stolen vehicles in eight months; three of which were occupied vehicles. Sergeant Dugan was a strong, decisive, professional, and respected leader. As a result of these superb traits, he received the Manager of the Year award in 1999 and 2006.

In 2007 and 2010, as the Police Department experienced changes in leadership and command staff, Sergeant Dugan stepped in and assisted the City management in filling the gaps. Over the last four years, he has assumed the Police Lieutenant's position twice and managed Patrol Operations. Sergeant Dugan has a can-do attitude and he consistently provides quality service to the community.

John has been a valued employee and his commitment to the community was evidenced on a daily basis. He was a loyal representative of the law enforcement community and admired for his hard work, dedication, and positive work ethic.

Mr. Speaker, I am truly honored to pay tribute to this dedicated public servant. I ask all of my colleagues to join with me in wishing John M. Dugan continued success and happiness in all of his future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE
HANDLEY HIGH SCHOOL STATE
FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2011

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I would like to request the House's attention

today to congratulate Handley High School of Roanoke, Alabama, on winning its first Alabama Class 3A championship football title in 90 years.

Rallying from a 14–7 deficit late in the fourth quarter, Handley came back to win the game 20–14 in stirring fashion with a goal-line stand in the final seconds. Led by their coach, Mike Battles, this team showed the type of grit and determination that we should all try to emulate during these difficult times.

Originally opened in 1848 as the Roanoke Academy, it was the first school in the city. After various changes through the years, the name of the school finally settled on Handley High School in 1910 to honor the memory of a Confederate soldier, Captain William Anderson Handley. The late Captain had gifted the land which supports the campus today in exchange for one dollar.

Known for its strong music, band and theatre department, Handley has always been known to offer its students excellent opportunities to pursue artistic endeavors. Now it has a football program it can brag about too.

Congratulations to Handley High School, Principal Gregory Foster, Superintendent Chuck Marcum and all their fans on their State Championship. Go Tigers!

SUPPORT OF TIME WARNER
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HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2011

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Time Warner Cable, which is headquartered in my district, for its investment in local television news coverage, specifically for opening a Washington, D.C., news bureau that will cover stories and events here in Washington that are important to the communities served by its 14 local news channels throughout the country.

Mr. Speaker, Time Warner Cable is dedicating significant resources to high quality local news channels that provide critical local news, weather, traffic and sports coverage in the local communities that they serve. These stations are good for the public, and for our republic, at a time when many local television news budgets are being cut and local newspapers are cutting back, too. Thus it is important to note the rare times when we see new investment in local news coverage.

I applaud Time Warner Cable for recognizing the importance of local news, for investing in it, and creating jobs while providing this critical service to its customers—many of whom are my constituents. With more local news coverage, it's a certainty that we will have a better informed citizenry, which can only improve our nation.

CELEBRATING THE 200TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF
CITRONELLE, ALABAMA

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 8, 2011

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to bring to the attention of this House a very special his-

torical event in my home state, the 200th Year of Celebration of the founding of Citronelle, Alabama.

Located in northwest Mobile County, Citronelle may not be a household name nationwide, but over a hundred years ago the friendly and charming small town was a popular stop for Northern vacationers. To the residents of such bustling Midwestern cities as Cleveland and Chicago, the name Citronelle conjured images of healing springs and bucolic Southern vistas.

In the early 20th century, Citronelle was known as the "Land of Healing Waters," owing to its mineral springs which a 1903 publication compared to the famous Poland Springs of Maine.

Located along the main line of the Mobile and Ohio Railway, for many years Citronelle was celebrated not only for its prized therapeutic waters, but also for its "salubrious" air which was reported to aid in the treatment of respiratory disorders. Indeed, the small town soon sported four very nice guest accommodations, including the Illinois Hotel, the Hygeia Hotel and the Hotel Citronelle. The Hygeia Hotel Cottage still stands today and is a local tourist attraction.

It is not surprising that Citronelle would have gained a reputation as a haven for rest and good health. In the late 1700's, the area was already destined for fame because of its curative properties. Native Americans in Southwest Alabama told European settlers about a unique plant thought to cure malaria. The miracle plant—which was named "Citronella"—was discovered growing in abundance along the hills that would eventually be known as Citronelle.

Along Citronelle's historic journey, the community also found improbable ways to add to its remarkable resume. For example, we all learned in school that Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered to Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House, Virginia on April 8, 1865. What some may not have been told in class is that less than a month later, on May 4, Lt. Gen. Richard Taylor, son of President Zachary Taylor, surrendered his Confederate forces under the "Surrender Oak" in Citronelle, Alabama. Citronelle was, therefore, one of five Civil War surrender locations. The legendary oak tree was sadly lost to a hurricane many years ago, but the town's contribution to American history is undeniable.

In addition to being a site of the official end of the Civil War, Citronelle has also occupied the spotlight as a potential rival to America's Western oil fields. In 1955, Citronelle was dubbed the Oil Capital of Alabama and home to the largest oil discovery east of the Mississippi River at that time.

Over the years, the sometimes sleepy town has capitalized on its quaint atmosphere, touting its "delightful walks through the woods (that) always charm the man or woman who seeks rest and recreation away from the busy city." Today, Citronelle remains a beautiful place to live filled with hard-working, dedicated people who love their God, their country and their families. I am proud to represent this lovely city in Congress.

On December 10, 2011, I will join Mayor Loretta Presnell, and other city officials, along with the people of Citronelle, in celebrating the birthday of their historic city. Older than the State of Alabama, Citronelle occupies a special place in our culture and in our hearts.